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Ref: Request for Exemption DOT-E 12124 (Sixth Revision)

Dear Mr. McGuire:

Albemarle Corporation requests renewal of DOT-E 12124 (Sixth Revision) which will expire on September 30, 2002. This request is made in accordance with 49 CFR 107.113.

1. Exemption to be Renewed

DOT-E 12124 is an exemption from parts of 49 CFR 173.242 in that a non-DOT specification portable tank is authorized; § 178.245-1(c) in that all openings are not grouped in one location; and § 178.245-1(d)(4) in that the tank is not in a full framework for containerization and to allow a bottom discharge opening with no internal stop-valve.

2. Applicant

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3. Certification

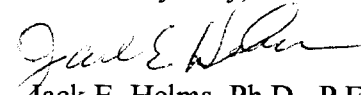
We certify that the descriptions, technical information and safety assessments submitted with the original application, and subsequent corrections remain accurate and correct. This exemption continues to provide a level of safety consistent with the public interest in adequately protecting against risks to life and property during transportation.

4. Shipping Experience

Since October 2000, 19 shipments have been made and there have been no incidents involving loss of product.

We submit this request in time for the 60-day review period prior to the September 30, 2002 expiration date. If any opposition is registered, we request copies of such filings subject to your fee schedule. If such filings are made, we request the opportunity of an informal discussion with your staff.

Yours very truly,



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